GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS-PR&RD Department–Allegations of irregularities in execution of work "Providing BT surface to the Road from Pamidi-Vajrakaruru to G.A.Kottala via Katrimala, Pamidi Mandal of Anantapuramu District"-Disciplinary proceedings initiated and Articles of Charges framed against Sri T.Mallikarjuna, AEE, PIU SD, Tadipatri and six (6) other Charged Officers -Written Statements of Defense received-Appointment of Inquiring Authority and Presenting Officer under Rule 20(2)(5)(c) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Orders - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 326 Dated: 06-05-2025

Read the following:-

1.Vigilance Report No.52(C.No.2062-1/V&E/Engg/2019-1), dt.20.12.2022 of DG, V&E.
2.G.O.Rt.No.574, PR&RD(Vig-II) Dept., dt.26.09.2023.
3.G.O.Rt.No.575, PR&RD(Vig-II) Dept., dt.26.09.2023.
4.G.O.Rt.No.576, PR&RD(Vig-II) Dept., dt.26.09.2023.
5.G.O.Rt.Nos.577 to 583, PR&RD(Vig-II) Dept., dt.26.09.2023.
6.Letter No.Vig.(4)/521923/2023, dt.14.12.2023 along with WSsD of seven (07) Charged Officers.

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ORDER:-

On the allegation of irregularities in execution of work "Providing BT surface to the Road from Pamidi-Vajrakaruru to G.A.Kottala via Katrimala of Pamidi Mandal of Anantapuramu District", the Director General, General Administration (Vigilance&Enforcement) Department vide reference 1st read above, has furnished the Vigilance Report and recommended to initiate disciplinary action against the following seven (07) Panchayat Raj Engineering Personnel, among others.

Sl. No.	Name of the Officer	Irregularity Observed
1	Sri T.Mallikarjuna, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR PIU Sub Division, Tadipatri (presently working as Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, PIU Sub Division, Puttaparthy).	The Officer executed and recorded substandard quality CC work
2	Sri P.Srinivasulu, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR PIU Sub-Division, Uravakonda (presently working as PA to Executive Engineer (FAC), PR PIU Division, Ananthapuramu).	The Officer executed and recorded substandard quality CC work.
3	Sri N.Manohar, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, PR PIU Sub Division, Tadipatri (presently working at PRI Sub-Division, Panyam of Kurnool District).	The Officer check measured and allowed substandard quality CC work.
4	Sri M.Venkataswamy, the then Executive Engineer, PR PIU Division, Uravakonda, Ananathapuramu (retired on 18.09.2020).	The Officer check measured and recommended payment for the substandard quality CC work.
5	Sri P.Gangadhar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR V&QC Sub Division, Ananathapuramu (Now retired from Service).	The officer recommended for issuance of QC certificate for substandard quality CC work.
6	Sri T.M. Srinnivasulu, the then Deputy	The officer recommended for

	Executive Engineer, PR V&QC Sub Division, Ananthapuramu & presently working as PA to Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Adoni.	issuance of QC certificate for substandard quality CC work.
7	Sri B.S.Ravindra, the then Executive Engineer, PR V&QC Division, Ananthapuramu and later, retired as SE, PR.	The Officer issued QC certificate for sub-standard quality CC road.

2. Accordingly, Government in the references 2nd to 3rd read above, have accorded sanction under Rule 9(2)(b)(ii) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980, to initiate disciplinary action against the two retired officers, viz., (i) Sri M.Venkataswamy, the then Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj PIU Division, Uravakonda, Ananathapuramu, now retired from service and (ii) Sri P.Gangadhar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Vigilance & Quality Control Sub-Division, Ananathapuramu, now retired from service. It is also initiated common disciplinary proceedings under Rule 24 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 vide reference 4th read above, duly framing articles of charges against the above seven (07) Charged Officers under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 vide references 5th read above respectively, with a direction to submit their written statements of defense.

3. In the references 6th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, has furnished the written statements of defense of seven (07) charged officers, wherein, all the charged officers have denied the articles of charges framed against them.

4. After examination of the matter, the Government have taken a decision to conduct regular inquiry into the charges framed against above (07) charged officers, since the defense statements of the charged officers are found not convincing.

5. Now, therefore, Government in exercise of the powers conferred by the Rule 20(2)(5)(c) of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991, hereby appoint the Engineer-in-Chief, Panachayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada as Inquiring Authority (IA) to inquire into the charges framed against the above seven (07) Charged Officers.

6. The Government also hereby appoint the Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Anantapuramu as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiring Authority on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority in support of the articles of charges framed against the said Charged Officers under Rule 20(5)(c) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

7. The Presenting Officer shall acquaint himself with the facts of the case and present the case before the Inquiring Authority effectively on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority. He is also requested to obtain and produce documents, if any, required by the Inquiring Authority during the course of inquiry without referring the matter to the Government.

8. The Inquiring Authority is requested to conduct inquiry strictly in terms of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 and submit report as required under (18) (ii) of the above said Rules, within three (3) months. Copies of Articles of Charge issued to the Charged Officers and their written statements of defense are furnished herewith to the Inquiring Authority as required

under Rule 20(7) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada (I.A.) (w.e)
The Superintending Engineer, PR, Anantapuramu District & P.O. (w.e).
The individuals concerned
Through the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchyat Raj, AP, Vijayawada.

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